

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Rolf W. Reisgies
Title: MODULAR MILKING
PARLOR AND
TRANSPORT SYSTEM
Appl. No.: 10/643,521
Appl. Filing Date: 08/19/2003
Examiner: Kimberly S. Smith
Art Unit: 3644

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. § 141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. § 145 or § 146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114: (check items that apply)

a. Previously submitted:

Continuation of Application No. 10/643,521

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- ☐ Please enter and consider the amendment/reply previously filed on ____.
- ☐ Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on ____ but not considered.
- ☐ Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on ____.
- ☐ Other ____.
- b. Enclosed are:
- ☒ Preliminary Amendment.
- ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement.
- ☐ Form PTO-1449 with copies of ____ listed reference(s).
- ☐ Other .

Miscellaneous:

- ☐ Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of ____ months.

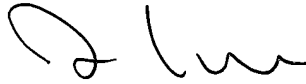
The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):				\$790.00	= \$790.00
Total Claims:	8	- 20	= 0	x \$50.00	= \$0.00
Independents	2	- 3	= 0	x \$200.00	= \$0.00
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:				+ \$360.00	= \$0.00
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- [X] A check in the amount of \$790.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
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Respectfully submitted,

By  _____

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